

Covid 19 Update  
May 28, 2020

Thank you to everyone who helped commemorate Memorial Day this past Monday. It was not like any other Memorial Day but we still recognized our fallen veterans. Thanks to Don Knapp, Kim Stewart and members of the Veterans Advisory Council for all of the work they did along with the Police and Fire Departments in putting flags on veterans' graves in cemeteries across Town. And thanks to Seth Pfeiffer for producing the Memorial Day video.

A new campaign "Scituate Loves Local" is being launched and you will soon see banners and signs. The Scituate Economic Development Commission has a group working on this project which is meant to help support local businesses.

June 13 is Election Day. We are encouraging people to vote early by mail. It is a two step process. Request an early ballot and then vote your ballot and return it before June 13. Information is on the Town Clerk's page on the town website. [www.scituatema.gov](http://www.scituatema.gov)

Annual Town Meeting has been postponed again. We want to have Town Meeting before the end of June so we can approve a budget for the fiscal year starting July 1. We are looking into having it outside at the High School football field so we can accommodate as many people as possible while maintaining social distancing.

Since the last Covid update on Tuesday, there have been two additional Covid cases, one antibody case and one positive case at Cardigan. Since the beginning, the Town has been reporting cases with Scituate addresses and we will continue to do so to maintain consistency. The state adds nursing home cases even if the patients have out of town permanent addresses.

Beaches have been crowded but people seem to be making an effort to social distance. There needs to be 12 feet between your group and others. If you can't social distance, wear a mask. If the beaches get too crowded, we may have to limit parking but we would prefer not to. Our beaches and other outside spaces are a huge asset to the Town and we want people to enjoy them. Please be responsible. Lifeguards will be at the beaches starting June 15. Port-a-Potties will be cleaned daily.

Athletic Fields are open. Rules are posted. The High School Athletic Complex is closed because it is still under construction. Police will be patrolling and will issue trespassing tickets if necessary. We are working with the contractor to open the new football field as soon as possible so people can use it.

The Dog Park is open. Masks are required because it is fenced. There is no water because shared amenities are not allowed.

Next week, Transfer Station users will be required to separate paper from cardboard. This will make the waste streams cleaner and therefore, more valuable.

Taxes are due June 1st. Thanks to those who have already paid. If you have any problems paying, please contact the Treasurer's Office.

Thanks to everyone for all of your efforts to social distance and wear masks. We all want this to end as soon as possible, so keep up the good work.